

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:	Thomas Senn Thorsten Braun Simon Greter Frances Lamy	) Group Art Unit: 2672 )
on:	PROCESS FOR PRODUCING AN ELECTRONIC COLOR INFORMATION DATA FILE AND PROCESS FOR COLOR COMMUNICATION	) Examiner: C. Harrison ) ) )
Serial No.:	09/835,465	) Confirmation No.: 5999
Filed On:	April 17, 2001	) (Docket No. 97634.00108)

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.136(b)**

Dear Sir:

Appellant respectfully requests a one (1) month extension of time for submission of a Reply Brief in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed on October 7, 2005. The current deadline for submission of such Reply Brief is December 7, 2005. If the requested extension is granted, the deadline for submission of the Reply Brief will be January 7, 2006. This is Appellant's first request for an extension of time.

Appellant respectfully submits that there is sufficient cause for the requested extension of time, and that the requested extension period (one month) is reasonable. 37 CFR §1.136(b). More specifically, the extension of time is necessitated, at least in part, to permit Appellant to fully consider and address the newly cited publication entitled "Plain Text Definition," which was not previously cited nor relied upon during ex parte prosecution of the subject application. Indeed, in the Examiner's Answer, it is argued that the newly cited "Plain Text Definition" provides evidence of a suggestion to modify the methods of the primary reference (Holt) to arrive at the recited subject matter of the present claims.

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Appellant respectfully submits that this Request for Extension of Time fully complies with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.136(b). The Request is made prior to expiration of the current term for response, i.e., prior to December 7, 2005, and does not extend the date for response beyond any applicable statutory timeframe. Moreover, the Request is made "for sufficient cause and for a reasonable time specified." Favorable consideration and prompt authorization of the requested extension of time are earnestly solicited.

If applicable, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for a one (1) month extension of time (small entity) of \$60.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-3570 maintained by Appellant's attorneys. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ENCLOSED.

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Respectfully submitted,

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